

[No Report.]

JANUARY 20, 1847.

Read twice, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. C. J. INGERSOLL, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, reported the following bill :

A BILL

Making further provision for the expenses attending the intercourse between the United States and foreign nations.

1 Whereas war exists between these United States and the
2 Republic of Mexico, and assurances have been given to the gov-
3 ernment of Mexico of the President's wish to settle all questions
4 between the two countries, on liberal and satisfactory terms to
5 each, and their mutual interests and security ; and the Presi-
6 dent may be able to conclude peace with the Republic of
7 Mexico prior to the next session of Congress, if means for that
8 object are at his disposal : and whereas, in the adjustment of
9 the many complicated questions between the two countries, it
10 may happen that an expenditure of money will be called for by
11 the stipulations of any treaty which may be entered into :
12 Therefore,

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of*
2 *the United States of America in Congress assembled, That*
3 the sum of thirty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby ap-

4 appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise ap-
5 propriated, to enable the President to enter upon negotiations
6 for the restoration of peace with Mexico ; and also the sum of
7 three millions of dollars be hereby appropriated, out of any
8 money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to enable the
9 President to conclude a treaty of peace with the Republic of
10 Mexico, to be used by him in the event that said treaty, when
11 duly ratified by Mexico, shall call for the expenditure of the
12 same, or any part thereof : *Provided*, That full and accurate ac-
13 counts of all these expenditures shall be by him transmitted to
14 Congress as soon as practicable.